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[] bles that on 9 October a Arabic papers reported that in an interview with the Director of the Income Tax section, the latter stated that the departure of former King Zog of Albania was prevented by the Minister of the Interior at the request of the Minister of Finance. Zog reportedly must submit detailed property declarations to enable the Tax Section to fix the amount of taxes due. Because of Zog's failure to submit a declaration (allegedly due on 16 August), Zog is said to be liable to (a) a maximum of three years imprisonment, (b) a maximum fine of 1,000 Lirian pounds, or (c) treble payment of the amount of taxes due. [] reports that the papers and letters seized during the 26 September raid are to be opened at the Ministry of the Interior on 11 October. Assuming that Zog's funds are released, he reportedly needs a minimum of 12 days prior to his departure in order to arrange his affairs, and consequently has informed the Foreign Affairs Ministry that he cannot leave 19 October as originally planned. [] 89, dtd 10 Oct 53, IN 25087; [] 183, dtd 10 Oct 53, IN 25347)

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